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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Prior to examination, please amend the application as follows:

In the specification:

Replace the paragraph beginning at page 2, line 16 with the following rewritten paragraph:

-- Heuristic resampling of the audio playback data block may be performed.

When heuristic resampling is performed, multiple consecutive samples of audio data in an audio buffer may be analyzed, consecutive samples with minimal variation in a parameter of their data may be identified, and the number of samples in the identified consecutive samples may be adjusted. A sample may be removed from or added to the identified consecutive samples. --